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MONTREAL FOR USREP ICAO

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ANTI-HIJACKING CONTACT GROUP

REF: A. STATE 10996, B. STATE 11044 (USUN 99)

1. DUTCH AND JAPANESE EMBASSIES RECEIVED THEIR ANTI-HIJACKING-CONTACT-GROUP INSTRUCTIONS JANUARY 20. GERMAN EMBASSY HAD NOT YET RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS AS OF JANUARY 23, HOWEVER, AND AT OUR SUGGESTION TELEPHONED FON OFF IN BONN FOR GUIDANCE. GUIDANCE RECEIVED WAS THAT GERMAN EMBASSY COULD "PROCEED ON THE BASIS OF THE US INSTRUCTIONS, WITH WHICH WE ARE IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT."

2. JAPANESE MINISTER, DUTCH COUNSELOR AND DCM MET JANUARY 24 TO DISCUSS MODALITIES OF APPROACH TO AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT. (GERMAN MINISTER, WHO HAD MEANWHILE HAD TO LEAVE VIENNA ON BUSINESS TRIP, GAVE CARTER BLANCHE TO DCM TO ACT ON HIS BEHALF.) AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON FOLLOWING POINTS:

- A. DUTCH COUNSELOR WAS DESIGNATED TO MAKE JOINT APPROACH ON BEHALF OF THE FOUR EMBASSIES.

- B. APPROACH WOULD BE MADE TO HELMUT TUERK, CONFIDENTIAL

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ACTING CHIEF OF MFA INTERNATIONAL LAW BUREAU.

- C. TALKING POINTS SET FORTH IN PARA 8, REFTEL B, WERE DEEMED APPROPRIATE FOR PRESENTATION TO TUERK WITHOUT CHANGE.

3. DUTCH COUNSELOR'S MEETING WITH TUERK TOOK PLACE LATER ON SAME DAY (JANUARY 24), AND COUNSELOR HAS FURNISHED US FOLLOWING SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION:

- "AS EXPECTED BY MY COLLEAGUES AND ME, THE FIRST REACTION FROM THE AUSTRIAN PART WAS EXTREMELY POSITIVE, AS THIS APPROACH CORRESPONDS WITH THE ACTIVITIES THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT HAS SHOWN IN THIS MATTER IN CONSULTATION DURING THE MEETING OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN NEW YORK. A DEFINITE ANSWER TO THIS MATTER WAS PROMISED BEFORE JANUARY 31, 1978."

4. EMBASSY WILL SEND FOLLOW-UP REPORT ASAP. WOLF

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